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Statistics and Social Conditions.

Area (in acres)	4,860
Population (census, 1921)	11,516
Population (1929)	...	...	...	...	...	12,540
Number of inhabited houses (1921)	...	...	...	...	...	2,480
Number of Families (1921)	...	...	...	...	...	2,536
Rateable value (1928)	...	...	...	...	...	£64,786
Sum representing a penny rate	...	...	...	...	...	£255

The chief occupations of the inhabitants are railway work, mining, hosiery, iron and engineering work, upholstery, pencil manufacture, agriculture.

Vital Statistics.

Births	{ Legitimate, 220 Illegitimate, 11 }	Birth Rate	...	18.4
Deaths, 146 ;	Death Rate	...	...	11.6
Number of women dying in	{ from Sepsis	...	Nil	
consequence of Childbirth	{ other causes	...	1	
Deaths of infants under one year, per 1,000 births—				
Legitimate, 12 ;	Illegitimate, 2.	Rate	...	60
Deaths from Measles	...	...	...	Nil
Deaths from Whooping Cough	..	...	...	1
Deaths from Diarrhœa (under 2 years)	...	...	...	Nil
Stillbirths	...	...	...	14

General Provision of Health Services.

For Tuberculosis—Ransom Sanatorium provided by County Council.

For Fever Cases—We have arrangements with a neighbouring Authority.

For Smallpox—We maintain, with four other Districts, the Rushcliffe Hospital.

The General Hospitals of Nottingham are available for cases from the District.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES.

For infectious cases—provided by Fever Hospital.

For non-infectious cases—provided by St. John Ambulance.

CLINICS AND TREATMENT CENTRES.

The Maternity and Child Welfare Centre at Stapleford is under the control of the County Council, which also provides a Tuberculosis Dispensary and a Treatment Centre for Venereal Diseases, at Nottingham.

Public Health Officers of Local Authority.

The Medical Officer of Health (part time).

The Sanitary Inspector (whole time).

Professional Nursing in the Home.

No arrangement for this is made by the Local Authority, but District Nursing at Bramcote, Chilwell and part of Stapleford is done by a Nursing Association. The six Midwives practising in the area are not employed or subsidised by the Local Authority.

Sanitary Circumstances.

WATER.—When the new reservoir at Hopwell is completed we shall get a portion of our requirements from the Derwent Valley.

The Nottingham Corporation are constructing a reservoir at Bramcote, and have obtained powers to serve Stapleford and Toton in addition to Bramcote and Chilwell; they will eventually supply practically the whole District.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.—Large sewerage schemes and extension of the Sewage Disposal Works at Stapleford, and new schemes for Chilwell, Toton and part of Bramcote have been sanctioned by the Ministry, and are in hand.

Negotiations with regard to the drainage of the Sand Flat portion of Bramcote have not yet been concluded.

TROWELL PIT HILL.—The nuisance caused by the burning of this hill has been removed.

CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.

Pail Closets (approximately) ...	...	...	1,456
Water Closets	„	...	1,562
Privy Middens	„	...	255

Sanitary Inspection of the Area.

Joint systematic inspections by M.O.H. and				
Sanitary Inspector	...	...	...	186
Inspections by Sanitary Inspector	...	...	...	137
Defects or nuisances discovered	...	...	...	43
Statutory Notices served	...	...	...	48
Notices complied with	...	...	...	48

Schools.

The condition of the elementary schools in the District is excellent on the whole.

Housing.

Number of new houses erected during the year—

Total	...	...	...	...	...	...	121
With State assistance :—							
(1) By Local Authority	...	...	...	...	...	...	26
(2) By other persons	...	...	...	...	...	...	70

UNFIT DWELLING HOUSES.

Inspection.—Number inspected for housing defects	...	...	...	...	...	15
Number found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation	...	...	...	...	...	15
Action under Statutory Powers—						
Number of houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs	...	...	...	...	...	23
Number rendered fit by owners	...	...	...	...	...	23
Proceedings under Public Health Acts	...	...	...	...	...	1
Closing Orders issued	...	...	...	...	...	5

Meat and other Foods.

Part of a carcase of beef was condemned.

There are ten registered Slaughter Houses in the District.

Prevalence of and Control over Infectious Diseases.

There has not been any specially noticeable outbreak of infectious disease. We had six deaths from Influenza and one from Whooping Cough. Prompt use is made of the free supply of Diphtheria Anti-toxin. We had no case of Small-pox.

Cases of Notifiable Diseases in 1929.

Erysipelas	...	...	...	...	...	10
Pneumonia (including Influenzal Pneumonia)	...	...	...	...	...	10
Tuberculosis (Pulmonary)	...	...	...	...	...	14
Tuberculosis (Non-Pulmonary)	...	...	...	...	...	5
Scarlet Fever	...	...	...	...	...	25
Diphtheria	...	...	...	...	...	5
Puerperal Fever	...	...	...	...	...	1
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	...	...	...	...	...	1
Total						71

Tuberculosis.

NEW CASES AND MORTALITY IN 1929.

Age	NEW CASES.				DEATHS.			
	Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.		Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
1								
5		1	3	1				
15		2		1				
20		2						
25	2	3			1	1		
35	1							
45		1			1			
55	1	1			1	1		
Totals	4	10	3	2	3	2		

**Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1925
and Public Health Act, 1925, Section 62.**

No action has been taken under the above Regulations or Section.

Factory and Workshop Act.

Premises.	Number of		
	Inspections.	Written Notices.	Prosecutions.
Factories	22		
Workshops	18		
Workplaces	2		
Total	42		

DEFECTS FOUND.

Particulars.	Number		
	Found.	Remedied.	Referred to H.M. Inspector.
Faulty Heating Stove ...	1	1	
Insufficient means of escape in case of fire	Nil		
Unsuitable or insufficient Sanitary accommodation	2	2	
Total	3	3	

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